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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No.: 09/841,430

Confirmation No.: 3855

Filing Date: April 24, 2001

Inventors: Stegemeier et al.

Title: IN SITU THERMAL
PROCESSING OF A COAL
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TEMPERATURE CONTROL

§ Examiner: G. A. Suchfield
§ Group Art Unit: 3672
§ Atty. Dkt. No.: 5659-09600/EBM

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the following fees to Shell Oil Co.

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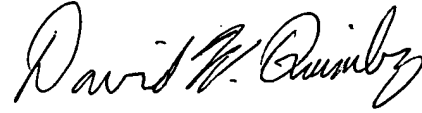
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<u>TOTAL AMOUNT:</u>	<u>\$750.00</u>
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The Commissioner is also authorized to charge any extension fee or other fees that may be necessary to the same account number. If the above-mentioned account is found to have insufficient funds, the Commissioner is authorized to charge Meyertons, Hood, Kivlin, Kowert & Goetzel, P.C. Deposit Account Number 50-1505/5659-09600/EBM.

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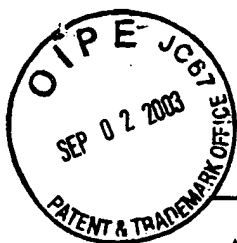


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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

(under 37 CFR § 1.114)

This is a request for continued examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of application number
09/841,430, filed on April 24, 2001, entitled IN SITU THERMAL PROCESSING OF A COAL
FORMATION USING PRESSURE AND/OR TEMPERATURE CONTROL.

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Art Unit: 3672

Assignee: Shell Oil Company

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Application:Del Christensen
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Houston, Texas 77252-2463Application Elements1. ☒ Filing Fee

A Fee Authorization Form authorizing a deposit account debit for the RCE fee
required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is enclosed.

2. ☒ Information Disclosure Statement, accompanying Form PTO-1449; and
electronically submitted Information Disclosure Statement (IDS).

3. Amendments

☒ An amendment is enclosed.☐ Enter the unentered amendment previously filed on _____ under 37
C.F.R. § 1.116.☐ Please consider the arguments in the response filed on ____ under 37 C.F.R. §
1.116.

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☐ Please consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief filed on ____.

5. ☐ Petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 for Extension of Time

6. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard

If an extension of time (under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136) is necessary to prevent the above referenced application from becoming abandoned, the appropriate extension of time is requested.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any other fees which may be required or credit any overpayment to Meyertons, Hood, Kivlin, Kowert & Goetzel, P.C., Deposit Account No. 50-1505/5659-09600/EBM.

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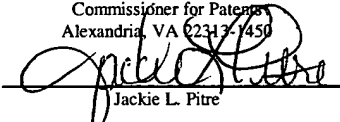
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**AMENDMENT; REMARKS SUBMITTED WITH
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In response to the Office action of June 3, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 29 of this paper.